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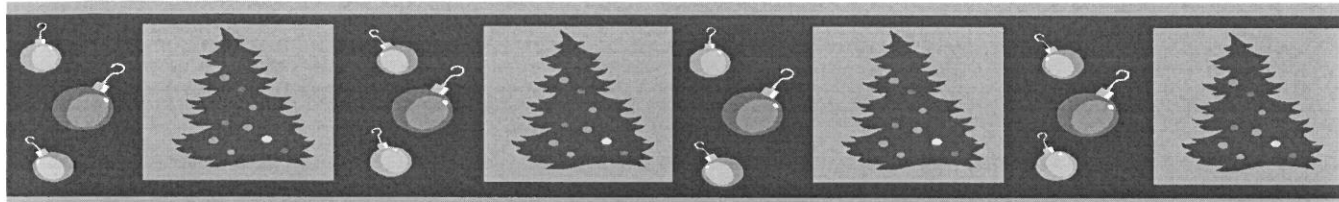
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BMC LEYLAND DAY 2008—Lyn and Riley's Bold as Brass Super



GENERAL MEETING

17th December

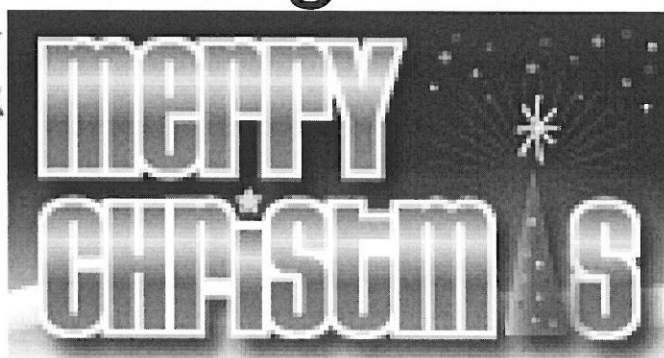
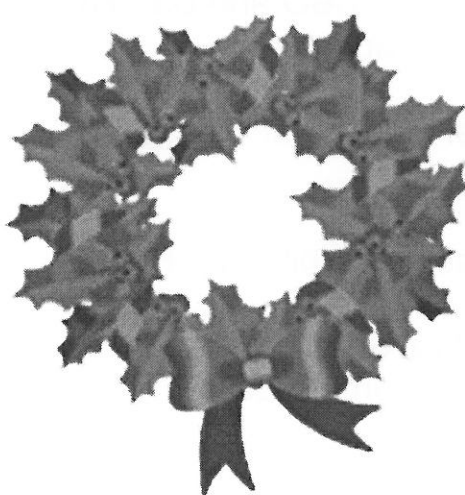


Christmas Meeting

*Wednesday 17th
December 2008*

7.30pm

Writegear



COMING EVENTS



**General Meeting
Wednesday 17th December
7.30 pm
At Writegear**

**Burger run
Saturday 10th January 2009
Meet at 6pm
Hamburger Hill**

2008

Coming Events

Wednesday 17th December– General Meeting at Writegear 7.30pm

Saturday January 10th 2009– Burger Run. Meet at 6pm in the Hamburger Hill carpark and end up at Alfred's in Guildford for dinner.

January 17th and 18th 2009– Motorvation.

Wednesday 28th January– General meeting at Writegear 7.30pm

Saturday 14th February- Big Al's Poker Run. Burswood Park, Show and Shine 10am to 4pm. Poker run 4pm to 6pm. BBQ and Band at the end of the run til late. Entry fee applies. Great fun day

Wednesday 25th February 2009– General Meeting at Writegear 7.30pm

Sunday 15th March 2009– Classic Car Show at Whiteman Park

Sunday 12th April 2009– All Aussie Day Waroona
As it stands at the moment All Aussie Day falls on the Easter long Weekend!

SNIPPETS

Brett recently sourced a variety of parts for the P76 from Clark rubber such as boot seals, bonnet bumper stops, door seals bailey channels, bushes, clips and fasteners etc.

He has a complete list of parts and prices which I will run in a later edition but if anyone is interested please contact Brett on 0447788018 and he can give you the part numbers

TRAX Models

Trax has recently released the latest P76 model, it is a 1974 Leyland P76 Targa Florio in Aspen Green

The models are 1:43 scale and are \$39.95.

They only make a set amount so be quick before they are all snapped up.

They can be ordered Through the following website
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P76 Books

The P76 book that I had been advertising in the magazine a few months back are now available.

If you would like to purchase one please contact James by phone or email

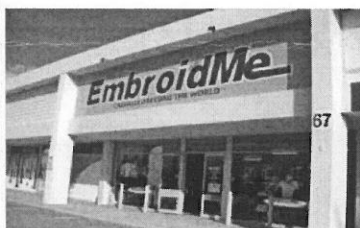
They are \$85.00 each.

James recently had some Diff repairs done by Maddington Transmissions and wanted to let members know that they were able to do the job.

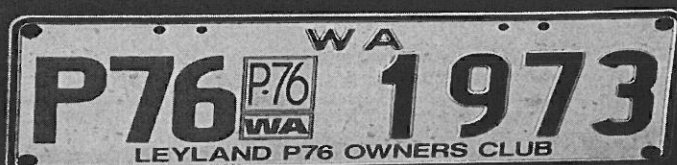
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James has been in contact with EmbroidMe and we can now get our club logo put onto shirts, jackets and other clothing. The store has a range of clothing so you can pick something from their range or supply your own shirt and they will put the logo on it for you for \$7.00.

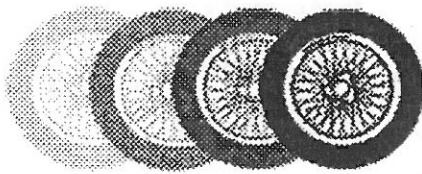


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

As at June 2008

2008 2008 2008 2008 2008

- July** 04 **CMC Quiz Night Cannington (Motor Museum WA)**
 Cannington Greyhounds—Agricultural hall
 27 **German Car Day-Perth to Northam (Mercedes-Benz Car Club)**
- August** 18 **CMC Annual General Meeting** Bassendean Community (Lesser) Hall
- September** 4-7 Targa West tarmac rally
 7 Caversham Race Circuit Fathers' Day event (VSCC)
- October** 12 French Car Festival
 12 Mercedes-Benz Display Day-Stirling Square, Guildford (www.mbccwa.org.au)
 20 **CMC General Meeting**
 TBA All Triumph Standard Car Day
 TBA British Auto Classic 2008-Waroona
 TBA Leyland BMC Day-Manning Park, Spearwood
- November** 09 **Brockwell Memorial Run to Whiteman Park**
 TBA Sports Car Sunday
 TBA Fiat Lancia Car Day
 23 GM Owners Day (Bassendean)
 30 Vintage Stampede- Barbagallo Raceway (VSCC)
- December** 15 **CMC General Meeting**

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LEYLAND P76 OWNERS CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (WA Division Inc.)
MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 2008

OPENED: 7:36pm.

Apologies: Andy Renn, John Metcalf.

Minutes for May: Moved as being correct by Matt Renn, seconded by Brett Shea.

Correspondence In: BMC Leyland Heritage Group, Council of Motor Clubs, Austnet Insurance, Shannon's Insurance, Avondale Discovery Farm, Southern Districts Mini Club x 3, Mini Owners' Club, Classic P76 Club x 2, Membership Renewals x 2, P76 Clubs of QLD, NZ, SA x 2 and Vic x 2.

Correspondence out: Maurice Brockwell Run, Australian Muscle Car Magazine, Membership Renewal Reminders x 22.

Treasurer's Report: announced at general meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Membership Renewals briefly discussed. Some suggestions to attract new members were also raised.

Special Thanks to Brett and Lianne Shea for organising the feed at the BMC Leyland Day :) Thanks to all members who turned up to the event.

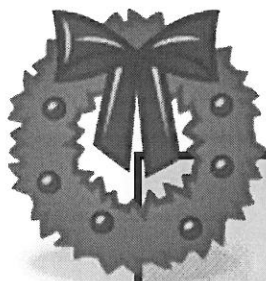
Club president thanked all members who also attended the Annual Dinner.

Up coming events including the Brockwell Rally, Busselton Festival and the January Burger Run were mentioned to name a few.

New Book on the history of the P76 written by Gavin Farmer will soon be available. Contact Jim Mentiplay for further information.

Club Inventory may need to be reviewed again.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT Dec 2008

On behalf of the Club I take this opportunity to wish all of our members and their families a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I also extend these greetings to the members of all of the P76 clubs around Australia and in New Zealand.

The festive season is upon us again, and as usual it is a very busy time, with family and work commitments demanding a large slice of our time. Consequently it is a quiet time for club business, with no major events clashing with our busy personal schedules.

This festive season will be the 26th since our club was formed in 1982. 26 years is a very long time as far as car clubs are concerned. If you think back to 1982 and reflect just how much has changed over the 26 years, you will get an idea of how different things are today. To help set the scene, consider the following, which was current when the club began back in 1982.

Malcolm Fraser was the Prime Minister of a coalition Federal government, with Bill Hayden as Federal Opposition Leader. In WA, Ray O'Connor had just become the Premier of a coalition state government following the retirement of Sir Charles Court. Brian Burke was State Opposition Leader.

The Costigan Report on the Ship Painters and Dockers Union had uncovered massive tax fraud by companies via "bottom of the harbour" business schemes. Lindy Chamberlain had just been found guilty of murder in the Northern Territory.

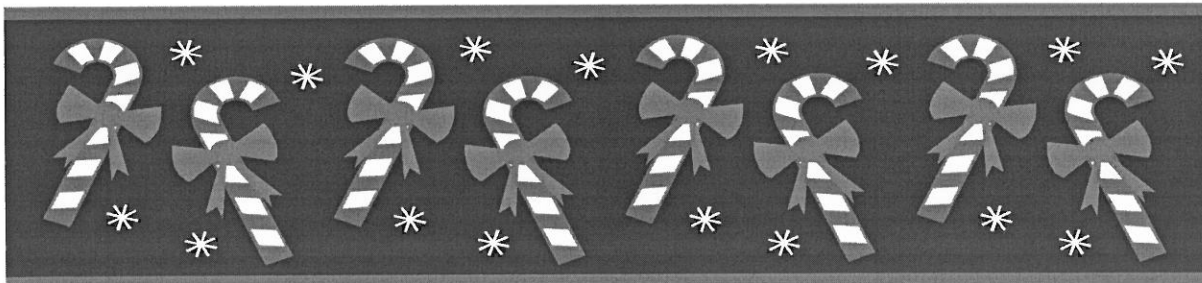
The Kwinana Freeway terminated at Leach Highway (the Mount Henry bridge over the Canning River had been completed in 1981). The Mitchell Freeway terminated at Hutton Street in Osborne Park. There was no Tonkin Highway or Roe Highway – they were still just bush corridors reserved for future highways under the far-sighted Stevenson Plan dating from the 1950's.

There was no northern metro railway to Currambine, and no southern metro railway to Mandurah. The Bell Tower was still a long way off in the future, and Subiaco Oval was not the modern but sterile stadium it is today. WAFL Grand Finals drew crowds in excess of 50,000, and while they may have been packed in like sardines, the ground had plenty of atmosphere. There were no Perth-based AFL teams then, of course...the Eagles were still five years away, whilst the Dockers were 13 years away in the future.

Collingwood sacked Tom Hafey as coach mid-season, and the ABC were celebrating their 50th birthday. The Australian dollar fell below parity with the US dollar, and in September / October, Brisbane hosted the Commonwealth Games. Westpac began trading under its new name after the merger of the Bank of NSW and the Commercial Bank of Australia. And of course there were no multanova cameras on our roads.

When flying across Australia, the two airline policy was still in effect, which meant you either traveled on Ansett or TAA (Trans Australia Airline) aircraft. WA's regional airline was still MMA (McRobertson Miller Airline).

The P76 had ceased production just 8 years previously. There were still approx 1100 P76's road registered in WA, and on average there were 7 or 8 P76's listed in the used cars



columns in the major newspapers each weekend. A six cylinder P76 cost \$140 for 12 months registration, whilst a V8 model cost \$170 for 12 months. Leyland Australia were still in existence, mainly as an importer of commercial vehicles and luxury cars – the company's name would change to JRA in March 1983.

What has our club achieved over the past 26 years? Our history records that as of December 2008, the WA Club had racked up a total of 654 club activities, comprised of 336 events and 318 general meetings. Those 336 events included 21 country holiday weekends, which involved an overnight stay. Also included are 94 car displays, 41 outside the Perth metropolitan area. WA members have attended 16 P76 National Meetings held outside WA. This issue of Westwords (Dec 2008) is the 309th edition of our club newsletter.

And lastly, our cars and ourselves are 26 years older than we were in 1982. Around a dozen or so of our current members would have been in Primary School in 1982, and of course some of our younger members were not even born back then, so to them it must seem like ancient history. For the older members, if you reflect for a few minutes just how far back 1982 seems today, you will realize it was a bloody long time ago.

A proud past and great traditions do not by themselves guarantee the future success of any organization. Only the current membership will determine the future of our club, regardless of what has gone before.

Gary Mentiplay

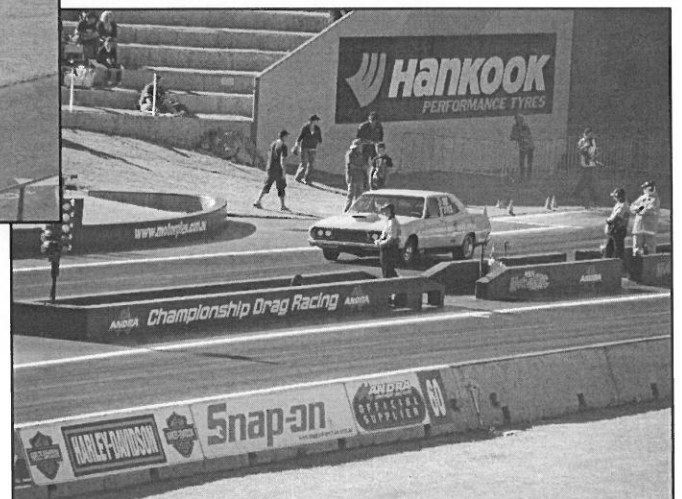
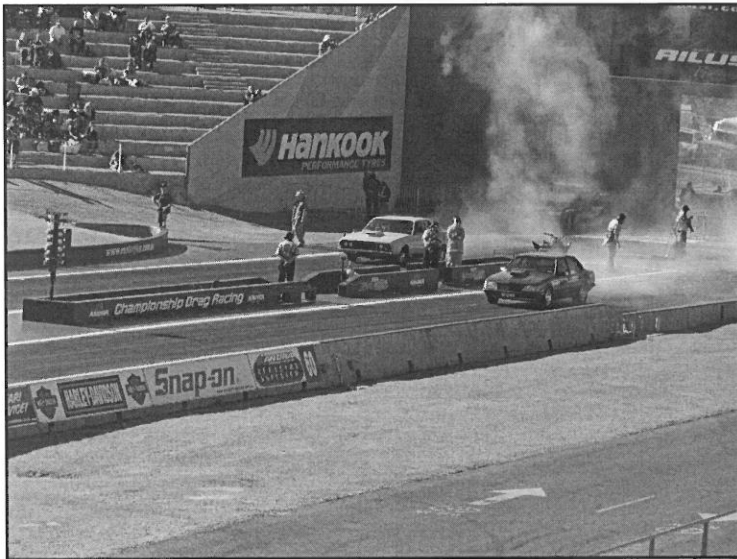
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Drag meet Saturday 1st November

Well Saturday didn't go to plan, we had issues Wednesday at the test and tune and didn't get a laptop (which we need to tune the car) till late Tuesday night. The car ran a very disappointing 15.429 off the trailer. So we were fighting in the dark a bit. With a best time of 14.806, Wednesday left us disappointed. We solved some of the problems Friday and the decision was made to run Saturday anyway and use it as a test and tune to gain much needed data. Again Saturday we were still in the dark as far as a tune up was concerned. We made adjustments on the day and bettered our Wednesday's times and slowly got down into the low 14's with a best run in qualifying of 14.263. We took a chance and put in an untried tune up for the first round of eliminations, figuring we had taken a knife to a gun fight we dialled in a 12.99 (slowest we were allowed to dial in). Knowing the only way we were going to win was for the other guy to red light or breakout, I left on the slow side of safe. The car ran a 13.729 which for me was a personal best with a top speed of 97.93 MPH which wasn't good enough and we were out for the day. Analyzing the data gained over the Wednesday and the Saturday from the 9 runs we made we can now see two other areas where our tune up is / was lacking and I have remapped the fuel mixture and timing advance curve, things we didn't have time to do on the day unfortunately. All things being equal I will run the P again on Friday at the Fast Friday looking at breaking into the 12's or at least getting more data. This is all new to us, shit 6 months ago we couldn't even spell EFI so it's hoped as we learn the car will go quicker. Saturday was a headache and a heartache in many ways but at the end of the day I had FUN and that's what it's all about.

Ray and Mick



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RACING NUMBER - **3113**
NAME - RAY LE COOQ
CLASS - S/ST
BRACKET - SUPER STREET
REC/DIAL - 12.990 sec

ELAPSED TIME 13.729 sec
TERMINAL SPEED 97.93 mph 157.60 kph
REACTION TIME 0.307
60' 1.953 sec
330' 5.723 sec
660' 8.803 sec
660' SPEED 129.07 kph
1000' 11.458 sec
RESULT - LOSE

MOTORVATION 23

3731
BAKRANICH
S/ST
SUPER STREET
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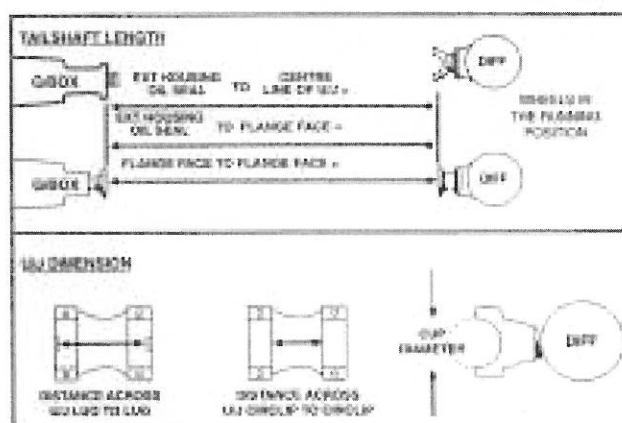
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ABSOLUTE PRESSURE - 1014.8hPa (Station Elevation 20.2m)
CORRECTED PRESSURE - 1018.2hPa
RELATIVE HUMIDITY - 52.0%
DEW POINT - 10.0C / 50.1F
DENSITY ALTITUDE - 216.7m / 711.1ft
WIND - NSW (244) at 11.0 knots
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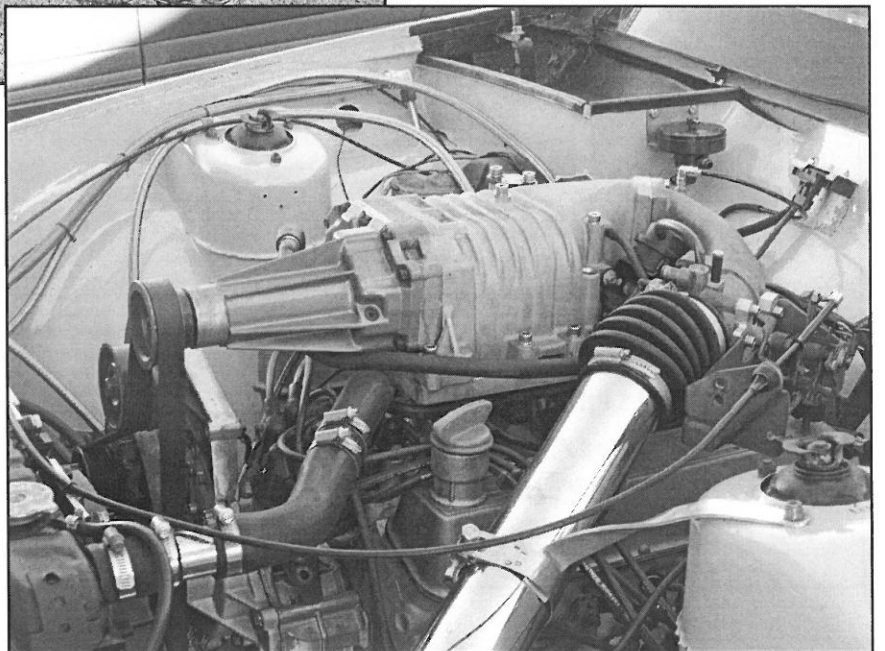


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BMC LEYLAND DAY

We were blessed with beautiful spring weather for the 10th edition of the annual BMC Leyland Day. The event was held at Manning Park in Spearwood, and was once again part of the annual Rotary Spring Fair.

The P76 Club was well supported by the Southern Districts Mini Club, the Mini Owners Club, the Rover Club and the Austin Club. One of our members, Terry Johnson, drove his immaculate Austin A30 to the display.



There was a total of 67 vehicles on display, which is the largest number for something like 4 years. The P76 club had 15 P76s, plus 3 Marinas on show.



Ray Le Cocq brought along his yellow P76 drag racing car, which was a real crowd-puller all day. This car is now supercharged.



Brett and Lianne Shea displayed their not-yet-completed project car,



whilst the Woodward family had four P76s on show (including Mal White's orange car).



The three Marinas were a 4 cylinder coupe, a 4 cylinder sedan, and George Garofallou's yellow 6 cylinder coupe.



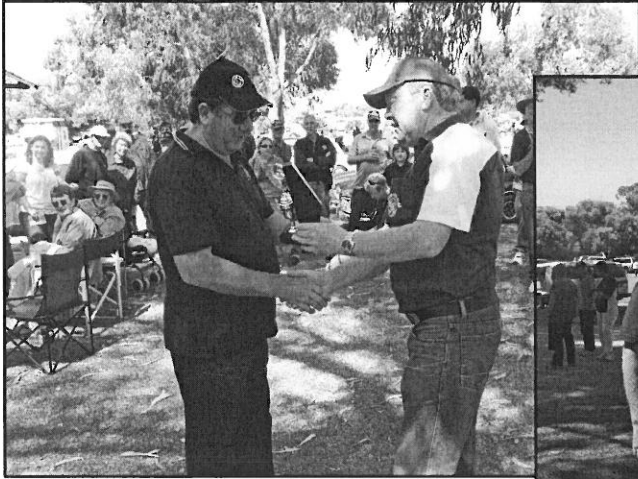
The Mini display included something like 37 cars, ranging from base models to Cooper S cars, and included Mokes, a utility and vans. Next year marks the 50th anniversary of the Mini, so 2009 will be a big year for Mini enthusiasts (they are a very keen bunch of car people) !



Also on display were a couple of SD1 Rovers, P5 and P6 Rovers, an original Morris 1100, Austin A30, Austin A95, and an unusual Austin 1800 mobile home. This was based on an Austin 1800 Mk II utility, with a lengthened wheelbase. The whole package looked very good, and is a credit to its owner. The room in the camper section surprised everyone. This vehicle traveled to the Moke Muster in Alice Springs, with three people aboard. The photos do not do it justice – it really is an exceptional vehicle.



The “Best Display Car” trophy was awarded to the Bold as Brass Super V8 P76 of Riley and Lyn Bradley. They had traveled to Perth from Manjimup to attend this show, and returned home on Sunday afternoon. It is the first time that a P76 has won the “Best Display Car” trophy at the BMC Leyland Day – congratulations to Riley and Lyn !



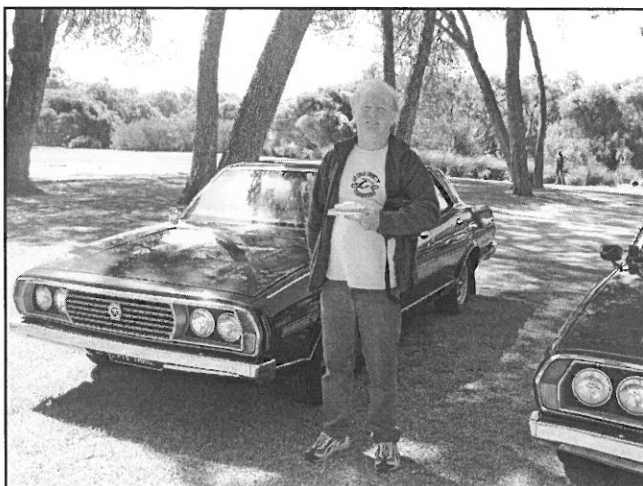
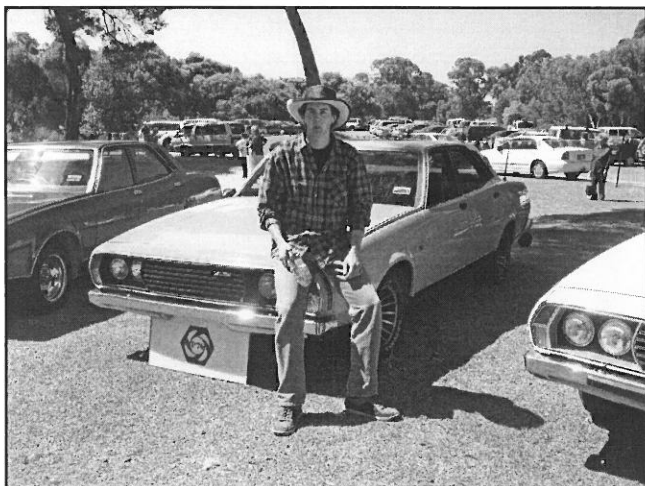
The “Best Club Display” trophy was awarded to the Southern Districts Mini Club – you would have to go a very long way to match these people for sheer enthusiasm.



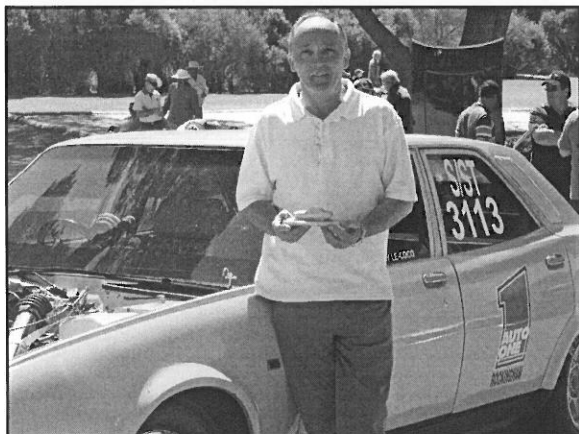
The P76 club "in house" trophies were all selected by the President, and were awarded to the following:

Adam Woodward - Bold as Brass Super V8 (modified);

Tony Moisley - Omega Navy Targa Florio;



Ray Le Cocq - Yellow Drag Car.



Brett and Lianne Shea deserve special mention for their untiring efforts on the club barbecue – no one went hungry !

And thanks to all of the members that supported our club on this occasion.

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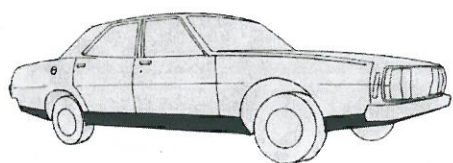


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